(d) if so, the reasons therefore; and

(e) the effective steps being taken by Government with regard to basic labour standard including the prohibition of forced and child labour in the country?

THE MINISTER FOR LABOUR (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Consumer Fora at Taluka Level

1106. SHRI JOY NADUKKARA: Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PULBIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is an increase in the number of cases pending before the various district-level Consumer Grievance Redressal Fora; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to establish such fora at Taluka level for speedy remedy and less expenses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFARIS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DEPTT. OF CONSUMER AFFARIS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM) (SHRI VENOD SHARMA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) There is no proposal at present to establish consumer fora at Taluka level.

Import of Edible Oil

1107. DR. BAPU KAL DATE: SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFARIS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1494 given in the Rajya Sabha on 14th August. 1995 and state:

(a) the quantity of edible oils proposed to be imported and what is the Comparative percentage of rise in the imports since 1994;

(b) the price (in foreign exchange) at which edible oils are proposed to be imported; and

(c) its likely impact on the prices of edible oils distributed through Public Distribution System?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFARIS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DEPTT. OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM) (SHRI VENOD SHARMA): (a) The State Trading Corporation (STC) has been authorised to import 2.00 lakh MTs of RBD Palmolein for the Public Distribution system during 1996. The STC imported 1.07 lakh MTs and 1.49 lakh MTs of edible oil for the PDS during the years 1994 and 1995 respectively.

(b) Since the prices of edible oils in the international market are subject to constant fluctuations it is not possible to indicate the foreign exchange likely to be spent on the import of the entire stipulated quantity of 2.00 lakh MT and RBD Palmolein by the STC during 1996 at this stage.

(c) The Central Issue Price of imported edible oil supplied through PDS is Rs. 24.000 PMT for oil in bulk and Rs. 27,000 PMT for oil in 15 Kg. tins. These prices are effective from 21.7.1994 and no revision is contemplated in the existing CIP at present.

"एक परिवार एक रोजगार" योजना

1108. **श्री चिमनभाई हरिभाई शुक्ल:** क्या **योजना और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि गुजरात सहित कुछ राज्यों ने "एक परिवार एक रोजगार" योजना लागू कर दी है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) क्या सरकार शेष राज्यों में भी इस कार्यक्रम को लागू करने का विचार रखती है; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में क्या कदम उठाए गए हैं/उठाए जाने का विचार है?

योजना और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री बलराम सिंह यादव): (क) और (ख) उपलब्ध सूचना के अनुसार गुजरात, गोआ तथा हरियाणा की सरकारों ने "एक परिवार एक नौकरी"

नामक एक स्कीम शुरू की है। गुजरात की स्कीम न्यूनतम बेरोजगारी कार्यक्रम के अंतर्गत कार्यान्वित होती है। इस स्कीम के अंतर्गत लक्ष्य वर्ग अर्थात् गरीबी रेखा से नीचे रह रहे परिवार का प्रत्येक जिले के दो तालुकों में पता लगाया जाता है एवं प्रत्येक परिवार से एक सदस्य को स्वरोजगार/रोजगार/प्रशिक्षण प्रदान किया जाता है। गोआ में, रोजगार कार्यालयों में पंजीकृत व्यक्तियों को "एक परिवार में एक नौकरी" स्कीम के अंतर्गत प्रस्तुति एवं नौकरी दिलाने में प्राथमिकता दी जाती है। हरियाणा स्कीम 1992 में शुरू की गई, इसका उद्देश्य ग्रामीण तथा शहरी क्षेत्रों में गरीबी रेखा से नीचे रह रहे और रोजगार कार्यालयों में पंजीकृत ऐसे आवेदकों, जिनके परिवार का कोई सदस्य किसी प्रकार के रोजगार में नहीं है, ऐसे 5 लाख व्यक्तियों को आठवीं योजना अवधि के दौरान रोजगार के अवसर प्रदान करना है।

(ग) जी, नहीं।

(घ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Commission on Labour Standards and International Trade

1109. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI T. VENKATRAM REDDY:
SHRI G. PRATHAPA REDDY:
SHRI K.R. MALKANI:
MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE:
SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had constituted a two-member Commission on Labour Standards and International Trade last year;

(b) if so, whether the Commission has submitted its report to Government;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether there was no consensus between the members regarding this report;

(e) if so, the facts in this regard;

(f) whether Government have extended the term of this Commission; and

(g) if so, the period thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Government had constituted a Commission for the 'Study of Issues Concerning the Protection of Labour Rights and Related Matters' under the Chairmanship of Dr. Subramanian Swamy on 3rd August, 1994. The Commission consisted of S/Shri S.L. Passey and A.V. Ganesan as Members. Shri Ganesan, however, did not join the Commission. The name of the Commission was later on changed to 'Commission on Labour Standards'.

(b) On February 27, 1996 the Commission made a brief presentation on the basis of a draft final report and is now in the process of finalising its Reports.

(c) to (e) Do not arise.

(f) and (g) The term of the Commission has been extended upto 30.4.96 to enable it to finalise and present its Reports.

Study on Employment in Tobacco Sector

1110. SHRI YERRA NARAYANASWAMY: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that certain trade unions have made the suggestions to constitute a body for conducting an intensive and extensive study on country-wide employment in the tobacco sector;

(b) whether it is a fact that tobacco growers will also be included under the ambit of this study; and

(c) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare have set up an Expert Committee to undertake a comparative study on the economics of tobacco use *inter-alia* examining the tax revenue and foreign exchange earnings, employment and consumer expenditure on the one hand and the cost of tertiary level medi-